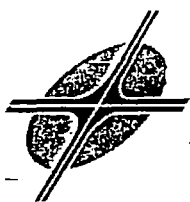


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June 12, 1991

Puget Sound Alliance/Soundkeeper
4516 University Way NE
Seattle, WA 98105
ATT: Mr. Ken Moser

Dear Sir:

I read an article today which appeared in the June 1991 issue of Pacific Northwest concerning your current work in the Puget Sound area. I found the article both interesting and disturbing with respect to the current and possible future condition of the Duwamish River.

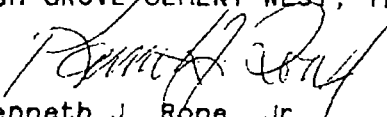
As I am sure you are aware, our company is currently in the process of building a new cement manufacturing facility on property which has access to the Duwamish River. As we design and build our facility, we are trying to make every effort possible to insure minimal impact on the surrounding environment. We feel that as company, good engineering practices have been followed in this regard to guarantee our goal.

With your knowledge of the Duwamish River, I would like to extend an open invitation to you and your employer to visit and inspect our facilities at any time. I feel that you may provide valuable insight into ways that may help us reduce even further our potential impact on the environment of the Duwamish River. I would welcome your experienced comments on this subject.

As stated in your article, we all have a formidable task in improving the conditions of the Duwamish River. As a medium size company, we would like to extend what resources we have in helping with your work as a nonprofit environmental organization. If you feel that we can ever be of service to your organization either financially or with materials, please don't hesitate to contact me. I wish you success in your needed and valued efforts.

Sincerely,

ASH GROVE CEMENT WEST, INC.


Kenneth J. Bone, Jr.
Project Manager

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